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Law RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No 5

Subject Approve an amendment to the outside counsel contract with Scott, Douglass & McConnico, LLP, Austin, TX, for legal counsel concerning development at Northcross Mall, in an amount of \$175,000, for a total contract amount of \$224,000

Amount and Source of Funding Funding in the amount of \$175,000 is available in the Liability Reserve Fund

Additional Backup Material

(click to open) No Attachments Available For More Information David Allan Smith, City Attorney, 974-2268

In mid-December of last year the City Attorney engaged the law firm of Scott, Douglass & McConnico LLP to advise the City on certain limited and specific questions related to the site plan filed by Lincoln Properties in connection with development at Northcross Mall

Since then, new facts and circumstances have arisen, creating the need for different and additional assistance from outside legal counsel, including, for example, assistance related to the filing of a second site plan by Lincoln Properties, as well as the initiation of negotiations with concerned citizens, Lincoln Properties, and Wal-Mart, concerning potential site plan improvements

Because of these developments, authorization is sought to negotiate and execute a professional services contract with Scott, Douglass & McConnico LLP, as outlined above, and as recommended by the City Attorney